



**Administration for Children and Families Tribal Consultation Session**  
**November 4, 2021**  
**Virtual Consultation**

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**ACF Moderator:** *Michelle Sauve*, Acting Commissioner/Deputy Assistant Secretary for Native American Affairs

**Tribal Moderator:** *Tilford Denver*, Chairman, Bishop Paiute Tribal Council

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1:00 PM      **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**  
*Michelle Sauve*

Acting ANA Commissioner Sauve will introduce Tilford Denver to lead the opening prayer and notify the participants we will open the consultation.

**TRIBAL OPENING**  
*Tilford Denver*

Vice Chairman, Bishop Paiute Tribal Council  
Chairman, Owens Valley Paiute-Shoshone Board of Trustees

1:15 PM      **OPENING REMARKS**  
*JooYeun Chang*, Acting Assistant Secretary, ACF

1:30 PM –      **Tribal Leader Testimony**

3:30 PM      The purpose of this session is to get tribal input as they relate to ACF honoring the government-to-government relationship, and updating the [ACF Tribal Consultation Policy](#), which was approved in 2011. Additionally, during Tribal Consultation planning calls tribal leaders requested to discuss the following topics: expansion of tribal self-governance in ACF, ACF's proposed racial equity actions, and improving ACF's guidance on cultural adaptations that meets the Families First Prevention Services Act.

**ACF Representatives:**

*JooYeun Chang*, Acting Assistant Secretary for Children and Families

*Jennifer Cannistra*, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy

*Larry Handerhan*, Chief of Staff

*Michelle Sauve*, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Native American Affairs

**Tribal Input:**

Open Discussion

*Reminder: As a reminder the HHS and ACF Consultation Policy outline that elected or appointed tribal leadership will be allowed to speak first. We will take additional comments as time allows.*

3:30 PM –      **Discuss Proposed Tribal Early Childhood Initiatives in Build Back Better**  
5:00 PM      **Legislation**

The Build Back Better legislation ([H.R. 5376](#)) pending in Congress includes two large proposed early childhood initiatives that would provide significant funding to tribal communities in the following ways: a child care entitlement that would



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dramatically increase family access to high-quality child care, and a universal pre-kindergarten program that would provide all 3- and 4-year-olds access to high-quality preschool programs provided in diverse settings. Both initiatives would provide funding directly to tribes to administer programs for young children and families in their communities. During this session, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Early Childhood Development, Katie Hamm, will provide an overview of the Build Back Better legislation and hear feedback from tribal leaders on its potential implementation.

#### **ACF Representatives:**

***Katie Hamm***, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Early Childhood Development

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5:00 PM

#### **Wrap up & Tribal Closing**

Identify main themes from the input and close for the day.